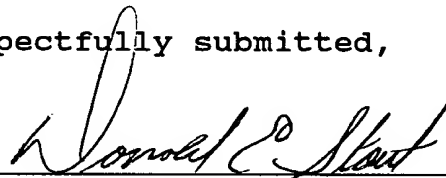


The amendment to line 4 on page 82 is to correct a typographical error in the identification of the intermediate section. Concurrently filed herewith is a Request for Authorization to permit the amendment of Fig. 29 to identify the intermediate section by the reference numeral 292.

Neither of the above-referenced amendments affects the patentability of the claims. These amendments are intended to correct obvious errors in the specification and do not raise issues requiring further examination on the part of the Examiner. Accordingly, it is requested that the Examiner forthwith enter the requested amendments.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (800.22812X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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